THE SHE THESTER SHEET SHOP

A SPOTTED RUMOR WITH A TAIL

IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY. Rockefeller Employees Hear of a Pan-

ther Through New York Newspapers

-An Authentic Investigation-Details

Via Mount Vernon "(Date Tarrytown)." POCANTICO HILLS, Dec. 7 .- "There is a panther loose over back. You better be

With these dread words have the nurses of Irvington-on-Hudson and Tarrytown chilled the souls of youthful sinners for three weeks past. They have been nobly aided by the bucolic correspondence of this and neighboring communities. Lovely word pictures portraying John D. Rockefeller quaking in his country home while the mad and hungry howls of the animal have been borne in to him on the snow aden winds, have been disseminated through the public prints. It has been told how the millionaire, leaving Standard Oil to its fate, has stood like a general on Pocantico Heights directing his minions where to place "traps baited with raw meat" here and there about his 35,000 acre

In view of this widespread interest in the Westchester panther, THE SUN organized an expedition which entered the wilds of Buttermilk Mountain to-day with full appreciation of its orders to return with the skin of the panther or within it. The expedition regrets to report that it has done neither. It has returned skinned. There is a creature infesting Westchester county far more voracious and ruthless than the wickedest panther that ever lashed itself into a bloodthirsty frenzy. This creature is called, hereabouts, a livery

From Mr. C. V. Hemenway, the superintendent of the Rockefeller place, the following facts were gleaned, which are immediately placed at the disposal of science. Mr. Hemenway said:

About six weeks ago two of our men came in from 'over back' and said that they had seen a strange animal. They said that it was a wildcat and that it had a tail so long. Mr. Hemenway indicated a length of some four feet. I told them wildcats didn't. have any such tails as that and that they'd better take another look at it next time they saw it. Nevertheless they said it did to-day from Gov. Wells a stern warning have a tail and was about as big as a fair- and an invitation to leave the State. De sized dog and that it had pink spots all over | Molli refused to go, and declared that he it. Well, they were pretty steady boys

around on our place. He said some of his people had been out driving on Sunday and that they had seen it come part way out of the brush. They said it was about as big as a dog and that it had spots.

"I asked them whether it had a tail like a broom handle, and they couldn't say. They said it hadn't come far enough out of the brush for that. After that I thought there might be something in it until I heard about there being a big, spotted hog loose at Elmsford, and since then I haven't worried much about it. I ride and drive all over this place pretty much every day. ried much about it. I ride and drive all over this place pretty much every day, and the wildest thing I have seen was two red foxes once. No stock has been killed and nobody has heard any bloodcurdling howls such as it is proper for a panther to emit when he is terrifying the populace, and robody has seen any panther tracks. If I was you, I'd go back to New York, I guess, and find something better to do."

Grieved, but not daunted, the expedition moved to the home of Abram Clear, the chief game warden of the Rockefeller estates. Abram, it will be remembered, had been described in the despatches from the seat of war, as setting forth with five

had been described in the despatches from the seaf of war, as setting forth with five intrepid companions, on Sunday night, on a moonlight quest for the panther's gore. Abe was not at home when the expedition called. His father was. "Abe aint here," said the old man, "he's

gon off somewhere o write a telegram for one of them darned fool newspaper reporters who sent him a despatch from Port Chester asking him to 'describe fort Chester asking him to describe his death's ruggle with monstrous panther in dark woods in hundred and fifty words, for use in New York papers to-morrow. But I'll tell you anything you want to know providing you want to know what's so. I'm tired of answering questions from them darned fools who know more about what receive done than you do Yourself. at you've done than you do yourself. He aid there was oo many of us around him to write here. We di tracted his

mind."

"What did Abe see last night?" asked the leader of the expedition.

"Nothing!" exclaimed the elder Clear.

"Not a blamed thing. They had read so much about this thing in the newspapers that they thought there must be something. in it and that they ought to do something. They took one hound and a lot of guns and went out about moonrise and came in along about 11 o'clock last night. They said they hadn't seen hair nor hide of any panther or any other thing that lives, nor any tracks nor nothin'. They fired their cause of to make a noise, because they got guns off to make a noise, because they got kind of lonesome. You know what boys is, out in the woods."

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A careful canvass of other residents of Pocantico Hills and Elmsford and Tarrytown Heights and other communities in the vast wilderness known to those along the Hudson's verge as "over back" failed to disclose any symptoms of panther fear. Nobody had seen such a beast. Nobody had heard of it except through the newspapers, and small boys were sliding down the long hills as though there were nothing more dangerous than a village constable to interdangerous than a village constable to inter

re with the sport.
A local newspaper of this vicinity, A local newspaper of this vicinity, in commenting on the panther scare which had been raised in some of the New York newspapers, explained last Friday that the scare was doubtless due to the escape of a big spotted hog at Elmsford which had been recaptured. For the reassuring of the children of Tarrytown and Irvington, The Sun's expedition feels warranted in reporting that although there may be a panther in the Rockefeller woods, as nurses and others have said, it is certainly a very retiring panther, and one that will not invade schoolrooms and nurseries until it has experienced a very decided until it has experienced a very decided change of disposition.

The following despatch was received in this city last night from the editor of the newspaper, who, in his own columns, dismissed the panther story with the escaped has explanation. hog explanation:

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., Dec. 7. (To Editor: late Tarrytown, Dec. 7).—Six hunters had an xeiting chase early this morning after a anther on Buttermilk Mountain on John D. ockefeller's domain at Pocantico Hills, and lough five shots were fired at it, yet the nimal escaped. animal escaped.

The huntsmen say, however, some of the shots must have taken effect, as bloodstains were found in the snow.

THE REBOES.

THE HEROES.

The hunters consisted of Thomas Carey, James Shute, Edward Kent and Charles Kent, and they were in charge of A. W. Clear, game keeper for Mr. Rockefeller. Mr. Rockefeller is very anxious to have the panther captured, as the villagers, as well as his employees, are growing excited because of the reports about the animal, and he has given instructions that every possible effort be made to capture it.

BOCKEFELLER ITALIANS ALARMED. Mr. Rockefeller has more than 100 Italians working on his domain, and these foreigners are so frightened that they sleep with the doors and windows heavily barred, as they fear the panther may try to break in. The hinters had travelled about two miles over the snowclad hills when they saw tracks made by the animal. They divided into squads of two and proceeded up the mountain side.

FOLLOWING THE TRAIL. The moonlight made it easy for them to blow the trail in the snow.

They had gone but a short distance when

S.S.SH! PANTHER OVER BACK! Gamekeeper Clear and another member of the party were startled by an animal with a long body and short limbs which dashed across the path ahead of them.

The Battle.

They both fired their shotguns simultaneously and another hunter fired two charges.

Then the men made a charge for the spot where the panther had been seen. But it had disappeared in the underbrush. BLOOD ON THE SNOW. "There is blood on the snow," said one of the party. "We must have wounded the critter, anyway."

PATHETIC FATE OF THE BEAST. For hours the huntsmen prowled about the mountain, but they did not see the panther again and neither could they find its lair. It is believed it may have been so badly wounded that it has crawled away in the jungle to die.

WATCH FOR OUR NEXT HUNT NEXT WEEK Mr. Clear intends to organize another party of hunters on Wednesday night, as he is certain now the panther has its den in Mr. Rockefeller's 3,050-acre private park.

COLORADO TROOPS TO STAY Gov. Peabody Tells John Mitchell Striking Miners Must Be Orderly.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 7.—President Mitchell of the United Mine Workers has had a long conference with Gov. Peabody, at which the situation in the Southern coal camps was thoroughly discussed. Mr. Mitchell told the Governor there was no need of troops being sent there and said he would guarantee that the police would not be disturbed by striking miners. He said he had sent 1,500 of them to other districts and would provide for the others while the strike lasts. The Governor told him Colorado must have coal and that when ever anybody interfered with men now at work in the mines he would send troops

there.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Col., Dec. 7.—By proclamation of Col. Verdeckberg, commanding the State militia here, all civil officers and citizens are commanded to give up all arms in their possession, and to such as are entitled to carry arms permits will be issued hereafter. Houses are being searched for guns stolen from the militia or held by soldiers. There has been a great exodus of strike agitators since the insurrection proclamation, and the militia officers and mine owners are pleased over the prospect mine owners are pleased over the prospect of early restoration of law and order.

STRIKE LEADER WARNED. Gov. Wells Tells De Molli the State Doesn't Want Him.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Dec. 7.-Charles De Molli, who was sent here by John Mitchell to direct the coal miners' strike, received would return to the strike region and make

and I never had any reason to think badly of them before and I decided to overlook it. Wildcats with long tails and covered with pink spots are not what we expect to have our employees see around here. No sir.

"About a month afterward—come to think of it, it was two weeks ago to-day—Mr. Theodore H. Mead of Wilson Park telephoned over to me and said that there was some sort of a strange animal straying around on our place. He said some of his people had been out driving on Sunday and that they had seen it come part way out of the brush. They said it was about as

would return to the strike region and make a fight to a finish. Gov. Wells said to him:

"I honestly believe that if there is much further effort to secure recognition of the union and to prolong this strike, the sentiment in this State will shoulder their rifles and go down there and run the Italians out of the State. I think you are wrong in pursuing this matter further at the present intended that you can't win here now. Do you not think it would be better to withdraw now until spring at least?"

De Milli returned to the mines to-night. He said he expected to be arrested there. PROTEST TO LABOR FEDERATION. Several Unions Angry About Its Decisions

-One Wants to Quit. More dissatisfaction among the New York unions over the decisions of the American Federation of Labor at its Boston convention developed yesterday, and it will not be the fault of the Cabinet Makers' Union if the United Brotherhood of Carpenters, the strongest national body in Gomters, the strongest national body in Gompers's organization, remains in it. The
Cabinet Makers' Union is Local 309 of the
Brotherhood. It is incensed because the
A. F. of L. decided that the making of
"wood trim" for buildings, over the making
of which it has had a dispute for many
years with the Amalgamated Wood Workers'
Union, should have been awarded to the
latter. The Cabinet Makers' Union has now
passed a resolution inviting the Brotherhood
to leave the Federation and demands that
this proposal be put to a referendum vote.

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The Carriage and Wagon Workers' Union is protesting against a decision of the A. F. of L. requiring its members to join the House Painters' Union. This is regarded as an affront by the wagon painters, who say they are not whitewashers. United Engineers' Union No. 1 has also registered a protest against the Federation having ignored a complaint that it has been suspended by its international union.

CRESCENT CLUB DELAY BUILDING Labor Unions Make the Project Too Risky at Present.

The unsettled conditions among the labor unions is given as the chief reason for the temporary abandonment of the plans for the erection of the new clubhouse for the Crescent Athletic Club at Into the Crescent Athetic Club at Club at Club and Pierreport streets, Brooklyn, In a report made to the board of directors recently the committee suggested that the club would do better if the matter of build-

ing be laid over for a year.

President Charles M. Bull of the board President Charles M. Bull of the board of directors has issued a circular in which he sets forth the reasons for the delay in beginning the construction of the new house on the Silliman property recently purchased by the club. He says the directors feel that the labor unions would not permit the work to progress smoothly at this time. Concerning the finances, he said the issue of \$250,000 in second mortgage bonds had been taken up to a large extent by the members and the club was in a good condition to undertake the work. More than one-half the issue has been subscribed for and a good portion paid in.

It was declared by members and officers alike last night that the delay was only

alike last night that the delay was only temporary and would not last longer than unsettled conditions exist in labor circles.

C. U. DELEGATES AT LARGE. R. Fulton Cutting to Be Reelected City Chairman Next Week.

The city committee of the Citizens' Union met last night to elect delegates at large to the central organization. Next Monday night the committee will elect officers. R. Fulton Cutting will be reelected chairman of the city committee. These were the delegates at large chosen last night: the delegates at large chosen last night:

Manhattan—R. Fulton Cutting, Arthur F.
Cosby, E. R. L. Gould, Henry W. Hardon,
Charles R. Lamb, Frank Moss, F. A. Ringler,
Isaac N. Seligman, Oliver C. Semple, Charles
H. Strong, Cyrus L. Sulzberger, Calvin Tomkins, Seth Sprague Terry, John DeWitt
Warner, R. W. G. Welling, Everett P. Wheeler
and Henry White.

Brooklyn—Frank L. Babbott, J. Warner
Greene, Henry Hentz, John C. Kelly, E. A.
Moffett, Isaac Sternberger, John Thatcher,
Alexander M. White, Jr., Frederic W. Hinrichs and Dr. A. De Yoanna.

Queens—Robert B. Lawrence and W. Harrison.

Bronx-Fielding L. Marshall and John E.

STRIKE CLOSES RESTAURANTS. Frisco Cooks' and Waiters' Union Making a Fight for Recognition.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7 .- About forty of the principal downtown restaurants closed to-day and hundreds of clerks and others were driven to saloons for lunch. Many little non-union restaurants kept open. The Cooks' and Waiters' Union declares that wholesale butchers have promised to refuse supplies to non-union houses. The refuse supplies to non-union houses. fight is over recognition of the union.

Steel Workers to Accept Lower Pay. CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—The open hearths of the Inland Steel Company at Indiana Harbor will be fired, preparatory to a resumption of work. Harbor Lodge No. 18 of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers has agreed Iron, Steel and Tin Workers has agr to the 12½ per cent. reduction in wages.

A FAIR SUGGESTION. Before you make up your Christmas list, stop a few moments at your bookseller's and read a few pages of THE WINGS OF THE MORN-ING. It will help you decide what book you ought to give. E. J. CLODE, Publisher, New York.

THE FOURTH AVENUE TUNNEL. state Railroad Commission Reports That Its

Orders Have Been Carried Out. ALBANY, Dec. 7 .- The State Railroad commission gave out a report to-day stating the results of inspections made during the last five months of conditions in the Fourth in what manner the orders of the commission growing out of the collision two years ago have been carried out. These inspections, the report says, have shown that the order requiring trains to take at least five minutes going through the tunnel has been rigidly enforced, and also the board's order that no engineer should take a train through the tunnel alone until he had made twentyfive trips with an experienced man.

The board also finds that in compliance with its orders signal lamps have been

with its orders signal lamps have been increased in power, air brakes are regularly inspected and monthly inspections are made of the roof of the tunnel by engineers. Little evidence of bad effects from gases. The train movement for the present year, the report says, will probably exceed 225,000, trains, and will probably increase, making the operation of the tunnel in the future more difficult, especially with the construction work going on. A new system of protection against fire has been put into effect, one feature being specially equipped engines kept in readiness at Mott Haven; but the board recommends that similar engines be kept at the Grand Central Sta-

but the board recommends that similar engines be kept at the Grand Central Station. All of the signal towers are now equipped with fire signals.

Fire Chief Purroy's recommendations that a six-inch standpipe be run through the tunnel, that a pull box be placed every three blocks and that ladders be placed at a contraction. each opening have been submitted to the railroad company. The board did not recommend Chief Purroy's suggestion that the tunnel be lighted.

MRS. BELCHER DROPS DEAD. Former Resident of Stratford Dies Suddenly in the Railroad Station There.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 7 .- Mrs. Clementine R. Belcher was stricken with apoplexy at the Stratford railroad station this afternoon. Dr. J. J. Gleocnan, who lives nearby, was called and had an ambu-lance summoned. By the time the ambulance summoned. By the time the ambulance reached the hospital she was dead.

Mrs. Belcher was a Stratford woman, but for a month had been living with her son, Edwin G. Belcher, at the Hotel Margaret in Brooklyn. She came to Stamford to visit her daughter, Miss Carrie Belcher, who is a retient at a private sentiarium. who is a patient at a private sanitarium

OBITUARY.

Dr. Horace M. Paine, who died on Sunday morning in Atlanta, Ga., was one of the best known homœopathic physicians in New York State. He was born in Paris, Oneida county, on Nov. 19, 1827. He was graduated from the University of the City of New York in 1849. He practised his profession in Clinton and Albany, in the latter city thirty-one years, and reliquished active work in 1895, since which time he had lived in West Newton. Mass, and in Georgia with his sons. He was one of the founders of the Homosopathic Medical Society of the State in 1850 and served it later as secretary and president. He was prominent in the long effort by which his school became legally recognized in this State. For twenty-one years he served as one of the State homosopathic examiners, was one of the first trustees of the Albany Homosopathic Hospital, an incorporater of the Middletown State Hospital and was largely instrumental in securing the legislation establishing the Gowanda State Hospital. He was a member of the American Institute of Homosopathy, the Hahnemann Association, of several similar local societies and an honorary member of many homosopathic societies here and abroad. He leaves a wife, to whom he was wedded fifty-one years ago; three sons, Dr. Howard S. Paine of Glens Falls, Dr. N. Emmons Paine of West Newton, Mass., and Dr. Clarence M. Paine of Atlanta, Ga., and one daughter, Miss Emily F. Paine of New York. Dr. John M. Paine, curator of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, is an only brother. State. For twenty-one years he served as

brother.

Francis Baring Peckham, one of the best known lawyers in Rhode Island, died at his home in Newport yesterday. He was about 68 years old. He was graduated from Brown University, attending that college at the same time as did John Hay, Secretary of State, and Richard Olney, former Secretary of State. He served the city of Newport for twenty-five years in the capacity of City Solicitor, from 1885 until 1880, and, although asked to accept other offices in the gift of the people, declined to do so. His wife died five years ago. They had no children. He was a man of great wealth. His brother, Orville Peckham, a lawyer of Chicago, and two sisters, both residing in Providence, survive him.

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Henry Coleman, president of the Coleman Business College of Newark, died in his home in 25 Homestead park, that city, on Sunday He was born sixty-five years ago in Ireland. He served throughout the greater part of the civil war as a musician in Company G. Ninety-sixth New York Volunteers. Later he became connected with the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, where he was superintendent for a long period. In 1880 he went to Newark. He was a member of Lincoln Post, G. A. R., the Newark Board of Trade, Northern Lodge, F. & A. M., and of many other organizations. He leaves a widow and three daughters.

Jonathan W. Potter, a well known sculptor, died yesterday, in his seventieth year, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. P. Sherwood of Port Chester. He was born in Norwich, England. Since the death of his wife from burns received at a fire in his house in Jersey. City he had lived with his married daughters. Four daughters survive him. They are Mrs. William C. Reed of Stamford, Mrs. Mason Hargen of Jersey City, Mrs. Charles P. Sherwood of Port Chester and Mrs. Julian Boothwill of Bridgeport.

Mrs. Sarah Katharine Cowdin, widow of Cellitot C. Cowdin, who was one of the founders of the Union League Club, died on Sunday at her residence, 14 West Twenty-first street. Mrs. Cowdin, who was born in Portsmouth, N. H. She is survived by five children, Mrs. Robert Bacon, Mrs. Henry Marquand and John Cassin, for more than thirty years a clerk in the Navy Department, died in Washington, on Saturday, in the sixty-fifth year of his age, He was a son of the late Commodore Stephen Cassin, and the grandson of Commodore John Cassin, who was a personal friend of Gen. Washington and who was warmly commended by Washington for his services during the Revolutionary War.

John T. Harrington, who was in the law office of L. Lafayette Faweett, died on Saturday at his home, 171 Schermerhorn street, Brooklyn

He was consecrated Bishop hearly two years ago.

James Edward Miller, a retired merchant of Washington, died at his home in that city on Sunday in the sixty-sixth year of his age. He was born in Baltimore, but had lived in Washington since childhood. He leaves a widow, who was Miss Ferris of Brooklyn. Henry Houghton, a retired merchant, died yesterday, at his home, 75 Seventh avenue, Brooklyn, in his seventy-fourth year. He was prominent in the Baptist denomination and served for several years as treasurer of the Long Island Baptist Association.

John L. Merrill, who was for many years in the ship chandlery business in New York, died yesterday at his home in East Orange, He was 80 years of age. He is survived by a widow, four sons and three daughters.

John H. Arnold, a Burgess of the borough John H. Arnold, a Burgess of the borough of Greenwich, Conn., died yesterday after a few weeks illness, of a complication of di-seases, aged 49 years. He was unmarried.

TRIPLE ANNIVERSARY FEAST

FOR THE ST. NICHOLAS SOCIETY, THE CITY AND GEN. WOODFORD.

The General Is 68-He Let the Secret Out -R. Fulton Cutting Tells Another We're a City Lacking Idealism-Pipes and Oratory in a Dutch Saint's Honor.

With plenty of schnapps and some oratory, the St. Nicholas Society celeb: ated its sixty-eighth birt day and the 150th anniversary of the granting of the charter of New Amsterdam by dining at Delmonico's last night. Incidentally and all unknowingly, the society celebrated the sixty-eighth birthday of Gen Stewart L. Woodford, who was one of the guests of honor.

The diners sat beneath streamers and canopies of the blue and orange of Holland, and between courses and after dinner smoked pipes patterned after those the avenue tunnel, with a view of ascertaining old Dutch burghers used to smoke. As the coffee went around, the weathercock which used to perch on the steeple of the Dutch church in Nassau street, near where the Mutual Life Building is now, was borne to the speakers' table amid the shouts and cheers of the diners. It has been in the custody of the St. Nicholas Society for years.

George G. De Witt, third vice-president of the organization, acted as toastmaster, and the speakers were the Rev. William T. Manning, R. Fulton Cutting, Gen. Woodford, Major John D. Knight, U. S. A.; Rear Admiral Frederic Rodgers, John Rutger Planten, Consul-General of the Netherlands to New York, and William H. McElroy. Mr. Manning was asked to respond for the patron saint of the society. He didn't say anything about St. Nicholas, but a good deal about the encouraging signs of the times, one of which was that in these days there is little or no irreligion.

"A sure sign that the world is growing better." said Mr. Manning, "is found in the fact that nobody to-day would say that he is an unbeliever."

R. Fulton Cutting's toast was "Our City." He made an interesting address on architecture, ancient and modern, and said that one reason why the city is not better and greater is because the citizens have little or no idealism." of the organization, acted as toastmaster

or no idealism.

"What city with even a vestige of idealism," exclaimed Mr. Cutting, "would permit the erection of a building like the new Tombs or permit the encroachment of the County Court House on City Hall Park?"

Gen. Woodford's toast was "Holland and the Founders of New Netherlands." When the Founders of New Netherlands." When he arose to speak, the General let the cat out of the bag about his birthday, and this morning all New York will know that yesterday he was 68 years old.

Major Knight responded for the Army, Admiral Rodgers for the Navy and Mr. McElroy for "Our Guests."

SHEA NOMINATES M'CARREN. New Leader Chosen Head of Kings County

Democratic Executive Committee. The first meeting of the new Democratic executive committee of Kings county was held last night at the Thomas Jefferson headquarters, Brooklyn, and the proceedings passed off smoothly and without any indication that the change of leadership resulted in any bitter feeling.

Former Bridge Commissioner John L Shea of the Seventeenth Assembly district. who had been at the head of the executive committee for several years and who sided with Hugh McLaughlin in his controversy

with Hugh McLaughlin in his controversy with Murphy, in retiring from the chairmanship, proposed Senator Patrick H McCarren as his successor.

He said that Senator McCarren through his able leadership of the party in the last campaign and his lifelong devotion to Democracy, had endeared himself to the rank and file of the organization and by general demand had been called to the chairmanship of the committee. The nomination of Senator McCarren was seconded by several other committeemen and his election was unanimous.

Arthur C. Salmon was elected treasurer and Frank E. O'Reilly secretary. David Hagan was chosen clerk to the committee in place of Michael H. Keely, who died recently.

At the next meeting Chairman James D. Bell of the county committee will announce the names of the new finance committee. Magistrate E. Gaston Higginbotham, who is to be chairman of the latter body, will be an ex-officio member of the executive committee. committee.

Bronx Club Doesn't Recommend Healy. The members of The Bronx Republican Club of the Thirty-fifth Assembly district have passed a resolution saying that as Edward H. Healy had been spoken of as a possible successor to State Deputy Excise Commissioner Hilliard, they desired to notify Gov. Odell that his "temperament, capacity and qualifications" made him unfit for the job. Matthew J. Harrington is president of the club, and he is out for Health's scalp as leader. Healy's scalp as leader.

Murphy at Tammany Initiation. The Tammany Society at its monthly meeting at Tammany Hall last night initiated a score of new candidates, among them Abe Levy, ex-Coroner Antonio Zucca and David Canavan, the contractor. Charles F. Murphy was present, therefore all the Tammany leaders turned out.

SHE THOUGHT HE WAS GALLANT

When He Took Her Fur Cape-Changed Her Mind When He Didn't Come Back. A well dressed middle aged woman is Mrs. A. Smith of Boston. Mrs. Smith is living at a hotel on Washington street, Brooklyn, and while she is here she is taking

shopping.
She had several parcels in her arms a see had several parceis in her arms as well as a handbag and a cape when she was passing Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre yesterday afternoon. Out of the entrance of the theatre stepped a man who bowed to Mrs. Smith as he doffed his hat.

"How do you do?" he said to her.
"I'm well, mister," Mrs. Smith says she replied.

advantage of her trip to do her Christmas

replied.

"I'm glad to hear it," said the man.

He gallantly relieved Mrs. Smith of her handbag and her fur trimmed cape. He told her to wait a minute and darted into an office building with her property.

When he was out of sight Mrs. Smith began to think she didn't know him. She told the Tenderloin police that \$50 would cover her loss.

All Drivers to Be Organized.

The International Brotherhood of Teamtants with Lake Michigan water thing the summer of 1900.

Salsbury swears that he gave Burch \$5,000, Sproat \$17 500, Conger \$10,000, Thompsin any way. Organization meetings have been called for nearly every night for two weeks, and Vice-President Gould of the state of the constant of the state of the constant of the in any way. Organization meetings have been called for nearly every night for two weeks, and Vice-President Gould of the brotherhood will remain here for some time. The organization wants to take in the drivers of every kind of horse-drawn

To Become President of Guaranty Trust Company.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 7 .- John W. Castles of this city has accepted the presidency of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York. Mr. Castles came here recently from Texas, became president of the Hibernia Bank and afterward of the Hibernia Banking and Trust Company, the largest concern of the kind in the South.

To Curtail Cotton Mill Production?

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Is a good 5 cent cigar
If there was a better one
Corewo would not be
the largest seller in
the world

HOW TO ROUND OUT A CENTURY

VIEWS OF WOMEN WHO HAVEN'T YET SUCCEEDED.

Real Centenarian Who Was to Have Helped in Debate Kept Away From the One Hundred Club's Dinner by Rheumatism -Advice to Let Your Emotions Go.

Mrs. Anna Betts, the centenarian who was to have been the guest of honor and to tell how she had "lived 100 years" was absent from the annual dinner of the One Hundred Club, in the Hotel Majestic last night. There were a number of decidedly young people there, however, to tell their elders how to reach the century mark. There were seventy-five guests, and fifty of these were on the sunny side of forty. Dr. Robert Walter, Bolton Hall and Dr.

W. R. C. Latson delivered long addresses on "What Is Vitality?" "The Conservatism of Vitality" and "Vitality and Life," but the real stars of the evening were Mrs. Bell De Rivera and Mrs. Almon Hensley. Sleep, sleep and again sleep and a little temperance in wine was the burden of their songs. Mrs. Bell De Rivera, on "Conservatism

of Vitality in Domestic Life," said that women waste their energies.

Mrs. Almon Hensley, who had for her subject, "Vitality and the Emotions," advocated the placing of excitable children in the hands of others than their mothers to

There is no absolute right nor wrong. It is entirely a matter of personal ideals. Remorse is absolutely futile; it exhausts the nervous system and weakens the will. It is neither wise nor healthy to smother feelings which might cause shame in induigence. It would be better to express them and be ashamed.

Mrs. Hensley had an idea of her own about the conservatism of vitality in the expression of love. "There is more harm done to women by an under expression of

done to women by an under expression of love than by an over-expression," she declared, and the men applauded.

Mrs. Betts wrote that ill health, produced by rheumatism in her left side, prevented her from being present. Her nephew, Alfred Spear, who is 86 years old, was there for her. The oldest guest present was Dr. J. B. Rich, who is vice-president of the club and 94 years old. "Aunt Louisa" Eldridge represented the Professional Woman's League, although a number of young ladies from that club were also there. All the women's clubs in New York were represented.

GRAND RAPIDS BRIBERY. Warrants for the Arrest of Seven More

Men in the Water Scandal. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 7.-This evening Judge Haggerty of the police court issued a second batch of warrants for the arrest of persons who are alleged to have been implicated in the water works scandal here by the confession of Lant K. Salsbury, formerly City Attorney. The following are the defendants and the crimes

charged: Conspiracy-J. Clark Sproat, former manager of the Grand Rapids Democrat; Charles S. Burch, manager Grand Rapids Evening Press; Eugene D. Conger, Manager Grand Rapids Herald: J. Russell Thomson former reporter for Grand Rapids Evening Press, and Isaac F. Lamoreaux, former

City Clerk. Attempted subornation of perjury-William F. McKnight, attorney-at law.

Perjury—George E. Nichols, Ionia, Mich.
attorney-at-law. A warrant for Gerritt H Albers, charging perjury, will be issued

to-norrow.

The warrants for conspiracy charge Burch, Sproat, Conger, Thomson and Lamoreaux with accepting money from Salsbury for assisting him to obtain a contract with the city to furnish its inhabitants with Lake Michigan water during the support of 1900.

tract with the city.

William F. McKnight is charged with attempting to suborn F. H. Garman, one of the people's witnesses, to swear falsely on the trial of Salsbury in November. 1901, when the latter was convicted of accepting a bribe in connection with the water deal. The warrant against Nichols charges him with perjury, alleged to have been committed on Nov. 29, 1901, when he was a witness in the Salsbury case. Boston Contractor Falls for \$236,000

BOSTON, Dec. 7 .- Frank G. Coburn of Brookline, contractor and builder, filed a bankruptcy petition to-day showing liabilities amounting to \$236,448. No assets are mentioned in the schedule. Among the CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 7.—A large number of cotton mill men have already arrived in Charlotte to attend the meeting to be held to-morrow, when it is expected that manufacturers from Rhode Island to Missisppi will pass a joint resolution declaring the necessity of curtailing production.

mentioned in the schedule. Among the creditors is the United States Government claiming about \$14,000 for breach of contract on buildings at the Charlestown Navy Yard. About \$115,000 of the debts are secured. The largest part of this is due to the Central National Bank of Boston, but the value of the securities is not known.

SAVAGE FOR CONGRESS. Host of Tammany Men See Murphy—He's Friends With Gorman.

Senator Patrick H. McCarren had an hour's conference with Charles F. Murphy at Tammany Hall yesterday afternoon. Mr. Murphy told the Senator that the first appointment Mayor-elect McClellan would announce would be that of John J. Delany to be Corporation Counsel. A host of Tammany men saw Mr. Murphy. He was displeased at the publication of a story that he had avoided meeting Senator Gorman of Maryland while he was in Washington.

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"Senator Gorman called at the hotel while I was out," said Mr. Murphy, "I should have been glad to see him. Our relations are very pleasant. We had a pleasant interview not long ago."

While Mr. Murphy did not formally announce the selection yesterday, he indicated to the newspaper men that Joseph W. Savage will be the Tammany candidate for Congress in the Twelfth district when Col. McClellan resigns. Mr. Savage is the political reporter for the Evening Journal and has been on the stump for Tammany in several campaigns. He does not live in the Congress district, but is said to be Mr. Murphy's personal choice.

TRIBUTE FOR CANTOR. Tales of a Levy on Subordinates' Pay to

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Buy a Dinner.

Borough President Cantor's heads of
departments are arranging to give a dinner
in his honor at Delmonico's on Dec. 16 and
to present to him an oil painting.
According to complaints made by some
of the subordinates, the department heads
are not to pay the hills entirely out of their are not to pay the bills entirely out of their own pockets. The complaints are to the effect that the subordinates have been assessed and that these assessments were deducted on pay day at the beginning of this month. Some of these subordinates kicked against the assessment.

Harlem Republicans Pack Its Casino. The Harlem Casino was packed last night v people who went to the annual reception of the Republican organization of the Thirty-fourth Assembly district. Among the notables there were County Chairman M. Linn Bruce, George R. Manchester, George W. Wanmaker, William H. Ten Eyck, Samuel Strasbourger, Edward H. Healy, John T. Windolph, County Clerk Hamilton and Tammany Leader Eugene

Democratic Club's Assets \$321,370.98. Treasurer Hascall's report to the annual meeting of the Democratic Club last night shows a prosperous year, with \$6,673 in the bank and assets of \$321,370.98. Seven of the governors will retire next year. Until then there will be no change in the officers, as they are chosen by the governors, and Mr. Croker made sure of the composition of that board before he last went abroad.

Cantor Up-State Propaganda.

To pave the way for his personal visits o them this week Borough President Cantor has been sending out letters to rural Democrats containing advice as to their course in the coming Presidential campaign. Some of the Hill editors up State have been com-menting in uncomplimentary style on Mr. Cantor's appearance as an adviser to the

Charley Rogers Halts Jim Parr.

BUFFALO, Dec. 7.—After throwing three men twice, each in less than thirteen minutes, im Parr, the English champion catch-ascatch-can wrestler struck a tarter in Charley catch-can wrestler struck a tarter in Charley Rogers of Rochester here to-night in his effort to throw five men twice, each within one hour. Parr was on the road to success when he encountered Rogers. Rogers is a gialet. His strength is marvellous. Parr, despite his cunning, was unable to do anything with Rogers, who made Parr dof his utmost to prevent being thrown himself.

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STEDEKER BROTHERS RAIDED.

BIG WAD OF MONEY AND POOL-ROOM STUFF SEIZED.

Capt. Burns Lets Scores of Men Go After Saying He'll Arrest Them for Vagrancy if He Catches 'Em Again-Captain's Advice by 'Phone-Two Places Pulled.

Three men, who said they were Henry, Leon and Samuel Stedeker, were arrested yesterday afternoon charged with running poolrooms at 65 West Broadway and 96 Church street. Capt. Joseph Burns of the Church street police station, accompanied by Assistant District Attorney Corrigan, Precinct Detectives Maloney, Mahoney, McCormack and Sullivan and about fifteen

olicemen in citizens' clothes, did the raid-

to the place at 98 Church street. A dozen men who were awaiting his arrival joined him and the party made for the room on the second floor. When they got no answer to their knock they smashed in the door with an axe. Inside they found about sixty men waiting for returns from the New

sixty men waiting for returns from the New Orleans races.

Leon Stedeker, who gave his address as 314 East Fifty-second street, was locked up as proprietor of the place. He had in his pockets \$1,850, and \$300 was taken from the desk. Capt. Burns told the bettors that he would lock any one of them up for vagrancy who came into his precinct again.

Leaving his men to guard the place, the captain jumped into his cab again and was driven to the West Broadway place. After breaking in the door at this place Henry and Samuel Stedeker were arrested as proprietors. The men in the room were turned out after being reprimanded by Burns.

Burns. Samuel Stedeker had \$540 in his pockets. Henry had \$88, and \$245 was taken from the desk. A wagon load of telephones, speaking tubes, "dope" books and racing sheets was taken to the station house as evidence. While Capt. Burns was in the second place the telephone rang and the captain jumped

the telephone rang and the captain jumped to the 'phone.

"Hello, Sam! Is this you?" said a voice.

"Yes," replied the captain.

"Come over and let us out; the place has been raided." said the voice.

"Can't do it," said the captain; "we've been raided, too."

"What am I to do?" asked the voice.

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"Go out by the window," replied the captain.
The raid was made on warrants issued
by Justice Olmsted. Bail of \$1,000 in by Justice Olmsted. Bail of \$1,000 is each case was furnished by Peter J. Groll.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

The December Grand Jury was sworn in yester-day by Judge McMahon in Part I. of the General Sessions. The foreman is Joseph W. Gibson, a publisher, of 19 Union Square. Recorder Goff denied yesterday a motion to dismiss the indictment against Daniel Myers, president of the defunct Manhattan Fire Insurance Company, indicted for stealing \$39,500 of the company's money before it falled. The defence will open to day.

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Alexander McAncancy, the unwilling accompile of "Butcher Tom" Tobin in the murder of Capt. Craft in the Empire Garden, is on trial before Judge McMahon in the General Sessions for attempted burglary. Tobin, who cut off Craft's head and tried to burn it in a furnace, is to be put

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